SENATE BILL 3110 By Womack

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapters 1 through 12 and Chapter 50, relative to educational finances, programs and personnel.

- WHEREAS, the Education Improvement Act of 1992 enacted a new mechanism for funding kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) education in Tennessee, known as the basic education program (BEP); and
- WHEREAS, part of that act, now codified as Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-3-354(h), provided that the BEP was to be fully funded by the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1997; and
- WHEREAS, that time has now arrived and the BEP was fully funded in the 1997-1998 appropriations bill; and
- WHEREAS, various features of the Education Improvement Act and the basic education program were contingent on or suspended until the BEP was fully funded; and
- WHEREAS, notice should now be given that the BEP is fully funded and that the time period in which various actions should be undertaken is now in effect; now, therefore,
- BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:
- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections 49-3-301 through 49-3-315, are amended by deleting these sections in their entireties.

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407, 49-5-408, 49-5-409, 49-5-510, 49-5-5307, 49-6-3050, 49-6-6002, 49-7-2501, 49-10-109, 49-11-104, AND 49-5-1002, are amended by adding to each section the following new subsection, to be appropriately designated:

(_____) Effective with the 1997-1998 fiscal year, the basic education program (BEP) component of the Education Improvement Act of 1992, is fully funded as provided for in Section 49-3-354(h).

SECTION 3. The Tennessee code commission is authorized to designate, or redesignate if appropriate, subsections added by Section 2 of this act to the various specified sections in Title 49.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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